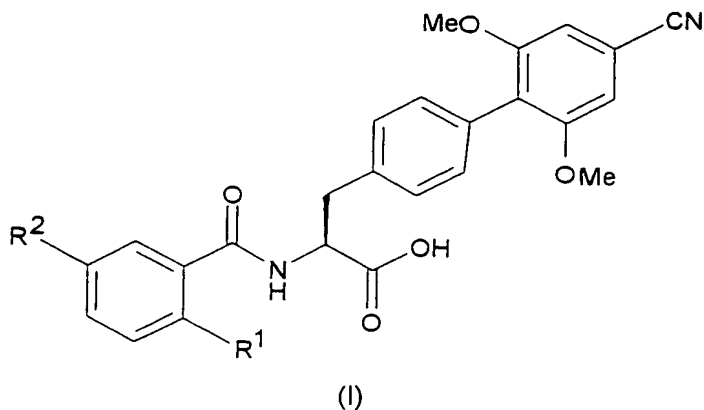


CLAIMS

1. A compound of formula (I) or a pharmaceutically acceptable derivative thereof :



in which:

- 10 R¹ is bromo; and

R² is halogen, C₁₋₆alkyl or C₁₋₆alkoxy.

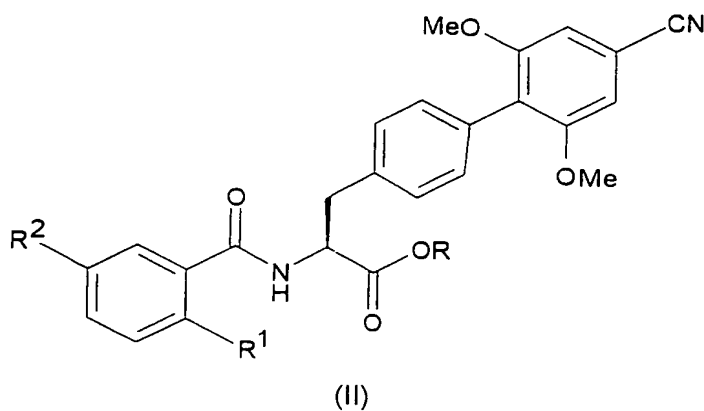
2. The compound according to claim 1 in which R² is halogen or C₁₋₆alkoxy.

- 15 3. The compound according to claim 2 in which R² is fluoro, methoxy or ethoxy.

4.(amended) The compound according to claim 1 which is selected from the group consisting of

- 20 (S)-2-[[1-(2-Bromo-5-methylphenyl)methanoyl]amino]-3-(4'-cyano-2',6'-dimethoxybiphenyl-4-yl)propionic acid;
- (S)-2-[[1-(2-Bromo-5-chlorophenyl)methanoyl]amino]-3-[4'-cyano-2',6'-dimethoxy)biphenyl-4-yl]propionic acid;
- (S)-2-[[1-(2,5-Dibromophenyl)methanoyl]amino]-3-[4'-cyano-2',6'-dimethoxy)biphenyl-4-yl]propionic acid;
- 25 (S)-2-[[1-(5-(*iso*-Propoxy)-2-bromophenyl)methanoyl]amino]-3-[4'-cyano-2',6'-dimethoxy)biphenyl-4-yl]propionic acid
- or a pharmaceutically acceptable derivative thereof.

5. (S)-2-[[1-(2-Bromo-5-ethoxyphenyl)methanoyl]amino]-3-(4'-cyano-2',6'-dimethoxybiphenyl-4-yl)propionic acid or a pharmaceutically acceptable derivative thereof.
- 5 6. (S)-2-[[1-(2-Bromo-5-fluorophenyl)methanoyl]amino]-3-(4'-cyano-2',6'-dimethoxybiphenyl-4-yl)propionic acid or a pharmaceutically acceptable derivative thereof.
- 10 7.(amended) (S)-2-[[1-(2-Bromo-5-methoxyphenyl)methanoyl]amino]-3-(4'-cyano-2',6'-dimethoxybiphenyl-4-yl)propionic acid or a pharmaceutically acceptable derivative thereof.
- 15 8. A process for the preparation of a compound of formula (I) which comprises hydrolyzing of a carboxylic acid ester derivative of formula (II):



- 20 in which R¹ and R² are as defined in formula (I) and R is a group capable of forming a carboxylic acid ester and optionally thereafter forming a pharmaceutically acceptable derivative thereof.
- 25 9. A compound according to any one of claims 1 to 7 for use in therapy.
10. A pharmaceutical composition which comprises a therapeutically effective amount of a compound according to any one of claims 1 to 7 in admixture with a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier or diluent.